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TERRITORY OF UTAH.

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR.

WHEREAS it is made known to me by reliable information, from affidavits, and various other sources, that there is in this Territory, a horde of Mexicans, or outlandish men, who are infesting the settlements, stirring up the Indians to make aggressions upon the inhabitants; and who are also furnishing the Indians with guns, ammunition, &c, contrary to the laws of this Territory, and the laws of the United States.

AND WHEREAS it is evident that it is the intention of these Mexicans or foreigners, to break the laws of this Territory, and of the United States, utterly regardless of every restriction; furnishing Indians with guns and powder, whenever and wherever it suits their designs, convenience, or purposes

Therefore, I, BRIGHAM YOUNG, Governor, and Superintendent of Indian Affairs for the Territory of Utah, in order to preserve peace, quell the Indians, and secure the lives and property of the citizens of the Territory, hereby order and direct as follows:

1st. That a small detachment consisting of thirty men, under the charge of Captain Wall, proceed South, through the entire extent of the settlements, reconnoitering the country, and directing the inhabitants to be on their guard against any sudden surprise

2nd. That said reconnoitering officer communicate with the expedition now traveling South, as often as any information of importance is obtained, that I may be kept advised of every transaction

3rd. The officer and party hereby sent upon this service, are hereby authorised and directed to arrest, and keep in close custody, every strolling Mexican party, and those associating with them, and other suspicious persons or parties, that they may encounter, and leave them safely guarded at the different points of settlement, to await further orders, as circumstances shall transpire, and the law directs.

4th. The Militia of the Territory are hereby instructed to be in readiness to march to any point, to which they may be directed, at a moment's notice

5th. All Mexicans now in the Territory, are required to remain quiet in the settlements, and not attempt to leave, under any consideration, until further advised; and the officers of the Territory, are hereby directed to keep them in safe custody, treating them with kindness, and supplying their necessary wants

6th. While all the people should be on their constant guard, they are also requested to remain quiet and orderly, pursuing their various avocations, until such time as they may be called upon to act in their own defence.

7th. The officer in command of the reconnoitering detachment, is hereby directed to move with caution, that he may not be taken in ambush, or surprised; to preserve his men and animals, and still be as expeditious in his movements, as possible; and the people at the various settlements, are hereby requested to furnish him such aid and assistance, as shall be necessary.

Done at the City of Provo, in the County of Utah, this, 23rd, day of April, A. D. 1853.

BRIGHAM YOUNG,

By the Governor,

BENJ. G. FERRIS, Secretary.